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May 18, 1984

Dear Bill:

I have received a copy of your May 4, 1984 letter to the Chairmen of the Department's Appropriations Committees expressing your strong support for the Department's FY 1984 Reporting and Analysis Supplemental and FY 1985 budget request. It is an excellent letter.

Since the House Appropriations Subcommittee marked up the Department's bill on May 10 and approved all the Department's reporting and analysis positions, I am especially grateful to you for moving so quickly on this issue.

Sincerely yours,

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George P. Shultz

The Honorable
William J. Casey,
Director of Central Intelligence.



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4 May 1984

The Honorable Neal Smith, Chairman Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary and Related Agencies Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I write to express my strong support for the Department of State's efforts to strengthen its reporting and analysis capabilities and to urge that you give favorable consideration to the Department of State's FY 1984 Reporting and Analysis Supplemental request, as well as to the Reporting and Analysis positions requested in State's FY 1985 budget.

As you know, Mr. Chairman, the reporting done by Foreign Service Officers is an integral—and indeed indispensable—part of the Intelligence Community's efforts to obtain accurate, comprehensive, and timely national intelligence.

As I said in an earlier Annual Report to the Congress, "The greatest opportunity for increasing the availability of highly important reporting and human source intelligence relates largely to the number and location of State Department Foreign Service officers serving overseas. Unlike the Intelligence Community, the Department of State has been unable to increase the number of officers overseas; in fact, the number of US-hire positions has been decreasing. The Department of State Foreign Service reporting structure at embassies and consulates abroad, although not an integral part of the NFIP, is and always has been the single most important source of human source intelligence on a variety of topics vital to the national security. The Foreign Service should be permitted to increase its foreign-based manpower in the same way as the Intelligence Community."

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This human-source intelligence covers a broad and expanding spectrum, including political, military, and economic developments, leadership motivations, Third World stability, unconventional warfare and terrorism, technology theft by the USSR, narcotics, and science and technology.

Ever since assuming my present duties, I have been deeply concerned over the lack of adequate staff in the Department of State and its overseas missions to meet our expanding needs for reporting on these and other critical topics. My concern is shared throughout the Intelligence Community. A list of those countries where Foreign Service reporting staffs need to be strengthened in order to meet specific national intelligence needs has been provided the Department, and FY 1984 Reporting and Analysis Supplemental reflects these recommendations.

If the Department of State does not receive the additional resources needed to meet these national reporting and analysis requirements, it may be necessary for CIA or other elements of the Intelligence Community to step into the gap and divert resources to this task, for example by engaging its officers in overt collection and reporting. This function, however, is more appropriately and efficiently performed by the Foreign Service. Substituting CIA for State reporting would not only be a misuse of specially trained personnel; it would be more costly and would increase the risk of exposure and political embarrassment.

I believe that it is in the national interest that the State Department, which provides more than half of all foreign affairs information available to the US Government, should have the resources it needs. I hope, Mr. Chairman, that as you consider the Department of State's FY 1984 Supplemental Request and its FY 1985 budget, you will take into consideration my strong support for the Department's efforts to rebuild its reporting and analysis strength to levels commensurate with our national security challenges.

am J. Casey

copy to: The Honorable Paul Laxalt, Chairman
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary
Committee on Appropriations

United States Senate

The Honorable Ernest F. Hollings Committee on Appropriations United States Senate

The Honorable George M. O'Brien Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives

The Honorable Edward P. Boland, Chairman Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence House of Representatives

The Honorable Barry M. Goldwater, Chairman Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate

Mr. Arnold Donahue Chief, Intelligence Branch International Affairs Division Office of Management and Budget

SUBJECT:

Letter in Support of State Department Effort to Rebuild Its Reporting Capabilities

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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE HUMINT Committee

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

Attachment: as stated

HC-84-184 4 May 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director, Intelligence Community Staff
Director, Intelligence Community Staff

FROM:

Chairman, HUMINT Committee

SUBJECT: Intelligence Community Support for State Department
Effort to Rebuild Its Reporting Capabilities

- 1. The State Department's reporting and analysis supplemental appropriations request is in trouble on the Hill. The problem is that the Hill does not understand the importance of State's reporting and analysis.
- 2. The Department needs your help in getting that message across immediately because the House Appropriations Subcommittee is thinking of marking up the bill next week. Secretary Shultz is expected to raise this matter with you during your May 4 meeting.
- 3. The attached letter to Rep. Neal Smith (Tab A), with copies to Senators Laxalt and Hollings and Rep. O'Brien, has been coordinated with the State Department.

| 4. | Recommendation: | That you sign the letter to Rep. Smith. |
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